

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	19141	Agenda Number	63.
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Meeting Date:	10/18/2012	Department:	Transportation
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Subject

Approve an ordinance amending Section 12-4-64(D) of the City Code to reposition the school zones on Bluebonnet Lane and Rundell Place, and add a portion of Ann Arbor Avenue to the table of streets having a maximum speed limit of 20 miles per hour during certain times for students attending Zilker Elementary School; and provide for emergency passage.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$2,500 for the installation of signs is available in the 2012-2013 Operating Budget of the Austin Transportation Department.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action:

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Boards and Commission Action:

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Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

The Austin Independent School District and the Public Works Department Child Safety Program have revised the parent drop off/pick up location and pedestrian routes for Zilker Elementary School. To support these changes the Austin Transportation Department is recommending changes to the school zone boundaries around Zilker Elementary.

In order to modify or alter the existing speed limit of a street, Texas laws require that a traffic engineering investigation be performed. In compliance with state traffic laws, a traffic engineering study was conducted to determine whether speed limit adjustments are appropriate in the area around Zilker Elementary. Based on this study and the changes made to the parent drop off and pick up zones and pedestrian routes, the Austin Transportation Department recommends adding the following amendments to City Code Section 12-4-64(D) (20 Mile per Hour School Zone) (Table of Speed Limits):

Delete: Bluebonnet Lane from 200 feet north of Holland Avenue to 200 feet north of Rundell Place.

Add: Bluebonnet Lane from Blue Crest Drive to 125 feet north of Rundell Place (20 MPH School Zone)

Delete: Rundell Place from Ann Arbor Avenue to Bluebonnet Lane.

Add: Rundell Place from 107 feet east of Paramount Avenue to Bluebonnet Lane (20 MPH School Zone)

Add: Ann Arbor Avenue from 403 feet north of Holland Avenue to Rundell Place (20 MPH School Zone)